

Renewable Energy Initiative
Wednesday, September 5, 2007, 9:00am-12:00pm
168 North 1950 West, Room 201
Salt Lake City, Utah 84114
Utah Department of Environmental Quality

Minutes

Administrative Items

- Next meeting is Wed, Sept 12 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. The meeting is being held at a new location, the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) Board Room. Just check in at the front desk and they will direct you. DNR is located at 1594 W. North Temple Salt Lake City, Utah 84114.
- For those who call in please don't put us on hold (background music has come on more than one occasion). Also, please put the call on mute, we have picked up background conversations, airport traffic etc.

RPS Strawman Proposal

Review of the Utah RPS Strawman was completed. There was a good group discussion about the proposal. Comments from the group discussion are included with the attachment. Stakeholders were asked to submit any comments on specific features of the proposal to staff ASAP. The stakeholder comments will be consolidated by staff and the two committee chairs and integrated into the proposal.

Utah Incentives

A list of current federal and state incentives for renewable energy were presented, see attachment. In addition, a list of incentives from neighboring states was also provided. It was commented that sunset dates associated with incentives should be correlated to RPS target dates. Another comment was that if incentives are preferred to a RPS then the incentives should be strong enough to significantly increase the amount of renewable energy. Furthermore, it was commented that tax credits and incentives should be looked at from budgetary standpoint, that is they should be associated with the total cost to state tax revenue.